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Application No.: 09/819,672)	-
	:	Confirmation No.: 3159
Filed: March 29, 2001)	
	:	Allowed: February 24, 2004
For: ELECTRON OPTICAL SYSTEM ARRAY,)	
CHARGED-PARTICLE BEAM EXPOSURE	:	March 4, 2004
APPARATUS USING THE SAME, AND)	
DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHOD	•	

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Sir:

Applicants have received a Notice of Allowance dated February 24, 2004, in the above-identified application. Applicants filed a Sixth Supplemental Information

Disclosure Statement on January 30, 2004, prior to issuance of the Office Action on

February 24, 2004. To date, those papers have not been indicated as being considered by the Examiner. Accordingly, Applicants request that the Examiner indicate consideration of the material submitted in this Information Disclosure Statement by initialing and returning a copy of the PTO-1449 form attached to the Information Disclosure Statement. Attached, for the Examiner's convenience, are copies of the Information Disclosure Statement, the

PTO-1449 form, and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office date stamped postcard receipt

indicating the filing of those papers on that date.

Applicants believe that no fees should be incurred in connection with filing this

paper. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 06-1205,

should any fees be associated herewith. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for this

purpose.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office

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